

Holy Covenant MCC Board Notes September 2017

- I: Meeting called to order: 7:03 pm
Present: Martha, Tom, Bruce, Steve
Regrets: Barb
Guests:
- II: Opening Prayer –Steve Marz
- III: Check in: All fine, Martha expressing pride that MCC is celebrating Bi Week
- IV: Approval of the Agenda – Steve Marz
Tom moved to accept, Bruce seconded, all approved
- V: Approval of August Board Minutes – Steve Marz
Tom moved to accept, Bruce seconded, all approved
- VI: Reports
- A. Clerk's Report (verbal) – Steve Marz
Still at 35 members
- B. Treasurer's Report – Bruce Myers
HC is bleeding red ink, we owe \$6000 to the Fellowship, we can pay Martha's salary through October, Bruce will send a letter out to the congregation on the state of our finances; On October 15, we will hold a congregational conversation and include finances in the discussion.
- VII: Continued Items
- A. Buildings and Grounds
The new boiler is in! Inspection by Village of Brookfield will be on Bingo day – Martha will ask Ian to be here for inspection.
Grounds clean-up will be this Saturday, 9 am to Noon.
- B. Drag Queen Bingo
Next Wednesday, Martha will coordinate. We need prizes. Martha will also double-check that Marge at the bar is well and still agreeable to hosting us.
- C. UFMCC News
Bi Week announcement made.
MCC is restructuring, trying to make leadership more horizontal.
Darlene at MCC has been let go – she had worked on Diversity and Church Development
Some inner controversy and upset over the new structuring.
- D. Strategic Planning

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Martha, Tom and Greg will meet.

- E. Social Media Coordinator
Tabled due to Barb's absence

- F. Pastor's Notes

Worship Team met, they are adjusting to the narrative liturgy changes, planning on split readings, decorating the sanctuary for Fall/Holidays, etc. Saturday, December 2, morning will be devoted to decorating for Christmas with a potluck lunch afterwards.

On Sunday, December 24, we will hold our regular Sunday service at 10 am. We will also hold a Christmas Eve service that evening at 7 pm.

The Book Club study will start on Tuesday, October 10, and run 6-8 weeks.

Martha is talking to Ian about revamping the Newsletter.

Martha will be re-arranging her office, pull out old unused electronics (possible sell at Garage Sale)

On Sunday, November 11, the second offering will go towards a scholarship to the Peace Camp to be held next summer at a local church – activities, crafts and discussions all about tolerance and diversity.

ARISE BROOKFIELD will meet on October 3 at Holy Covenant, working to expand from just minimum wage battle to other employment issues.

Martha will talk to Mary Ann about her meditation sessions.

- G. Congregational Meeting

- a. By Law Changes

- Once the changes are approved by the congregation, they will need to be vetted by MCC. Bylaw changes will be voted on BEFORE Board election.

- Tom took the Board through the bylaw changes, and will see that we all receive cleaned up versions.

- Bruce moved that we accept the proposed by-law changes as changed as of this date. Martha seconded. All approved.

- b. Board Elections

- Board openings will be announced to congregation this Sunday.

- Tom moved that the Board Members serve as Nominating Committee.

- Bruce seconded, all approved. Martha will ask Barb about the packets.

- Bruce will get proposed budget done by October 19.

- c. Dates for Planning:

- September 24** – Post Board Openings

- September 29** – Applications due to committee

- October 5** – Proposed By-law changes due

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November 12 – Public Forum – Prospective new Board members present themselves to the congregation; Board presents proposed by-law changes to congregation

November 19 – Vote will be taken first on by-law changes (which will go into effect immediately); Then, Board Member election will be held.

NB – Voters on both by-law proposals and Board members must be members of Holy Covenant MCC.

VIII: New Business

A. Fall Dance

Will be organized by Sue and Karen, Holly and Andrew, with a Halloween theme.

IX: Executive Session (if needed) (Closed)

Closing Prayer – Martha Daniels

Meeting adjourned at 9:09